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Sent: 3/9/2018 12:38:40 PM
To: Hurd, Kathy [Hurd.Kathy@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: 404(g) assumption update rule
Attachments: CWA 404 Assumption Update Reg Agenda Entry.docx

I tried to use what looked like the most recent tiering form that Sandy had in the system to populate this. Hopefully this is the right one. If you can provide any needed updates by sometime early next week that would be great.

Many Thanks!

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From: Evalenko, Sandy
Sent: Thursday, March 08, 2018 2:31 PM
To: Nelson, Tomeka <Nelson.Tomeka@epa.gov>
Subject: 404(g) assumption update rule


Tomeka- When you have time, will you create the reg agenda form and send it to Kathy to review and revise. Then, we'll need ogc and op to do their reviews for the spring reg agenda. I'll email OP and ask for a workgroup rep.

Thanks,
Sandy

On Mar 8, 2018, at 2:06 PM, Evalenko, Sandy <Evalenko.Sandy@epa.gov> wrote:

RSC and RRC: OW has revised the abstract for SAN 6682 based on AA comments. Kathy Hurd, our workgroup chair for the CWA Assumption Update Regulation, asked me to reach out to an office and a few regions who have staff that have been working with her on the 404(g) assumable waters issue. Please make sure that the follow staff have an opportunity to review this action and work with OW on this action.

The regions: R4 Phil Mancusi-Ungaro; R3: Jessica Martinsen, R2: Robert Montgomerie
OECA: Jeffrey Speir and James Morgan

OW - SAN 6682: (Tier '2') CWA 404 Assumable Waters Regulation
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Revised External Abstract: CWA Section 404(g) provides for state and tribal to assume administration of the dredged and fill permitting program for certain waters and addresses the requirements for implementation and EPA oversight. This rule will provide general updates to the 1988 regulations and provide clarity on specific issue(s) the states have requested. Specifically, states and tribes requested the EPA clarify for which waters the state/tribe has CWA Section 404 permit responsibilities, and for which waters the USACE retains CWA 404 permit responsibility, under an approved state/tribal program. In 2015, EPA convened a Federal Advisory Committee (FACA), comprised of state, tribal and other stakeholder representatives charging them with providing recommendations on how EPA could provide clarity on this issue. This rule will provide clarity on which waters are assumable after consideration of the FACA recommendations as well as provide needed technical corrections and updates to the 1988 regulations.


Thanks,
Sandy

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Subject: RSC Distribution: Tiering - March 2018 Tiering List due March 19

The March 2018 Tiering List has been created. Responses are due by March 19.

RSC Representatives may respond directly. For others, please forward your comments through your RSC Representative. You may reference the document in any e-mail by forwarding this email in MS Outlook.

Please follow the doclink->

March 2018 Tiering List

New Tiering:

OAR

RSC Representative: Wanda Farrar OAR/OAA/OPAR (202-564-1953)

RSC Alternate: Tom Eagles OAR/OAA (202-564-1952)

RSC Alternate: Wendy Mcquilkin OAR/OAA (202-564-1348)

RSC Alternate: Ruthw Morgan OAR/OAA (202-564-1326)

OAR - SAN 6654: (Tier '3') Determinations of Attainment by the Attainment Date, Extensions of the Attainment Date, and Reclassification of Moderate Nonattainment Areas for the 2008 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards

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External Abstract: This action relates to the attainment status of nonattainment areas for the 2008 ozone NAAQS currently classified as Moderate. All Moderate areas must attain the ozone standard within 6 years of the effective date of the designation, or by July 20, 2018, unless an area is granted a 1-year attainment date extension. If a Moderate area fails to attain the standard by the attainment date, the area will be reclassified to Serious nonattainment by operation law. In this notice, EPA proposes to find that certain Moderate nonattainment areas attained the standard by the attainment date, while others failed to attain and will be reclassified to Serious nonattainment by operation of law or qualify for a 1-year attainment date extension.

No Workgroup Specified

OAR - SAN 6690: (Tier '3') Renewable Fuel Standard Program: Supplemental Partial Waiver of 2017 Cellulosic Biofuel Standard

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External Abstract: EPA is reducing the 2017 cellulosic biofuel volume under the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) program under a finding of inadequate domestic supply. This actions presents additional data on production of cellulosic biofuel in 2017 and issues a supplemental partial waiver of the cellulosic biofuel volume requirement as authorized under the general waiver authority under a finding of inadequate domestic supply. Due to the change of the 2017 cellulosic biofuel standard, this action also delays the compliance deadline for 2017 for all four RFS standards.

No Workgroup Specified

OCSPP

RSC Representative: Angela Hofmann OCSPP/OAA/DAA (202-564-0258)

RSC Alternate: Alan Boutureira OCSPP/OAA (202-564-0558)

RSC Alternate: Melissa Chun OCSPP/OAA/DAA (202-564-1605)

RSC Alternate: Teresa Green OCSPP/OAA/DAA/RCS ((202) 564-5230)

RSC Alternate: Peterj Smith OCSPP/OAA/DAA (202-564-0262)

OCSPP - SAN 6677: (Tier '3') Asbestos SNUR - TSCA §5(a)(2)

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External Abstract: EPA is developing a proposal for a significant new use

rule (SNUR) under section 5(a)(2) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) for certain uses of asbestos that are no longer in use in the United States. Persons subject to the SNUR would be required to notify the EPA at least 90 days before commencing such manufacture or processing. The required notifications would initiate EPA's evaluation of the intended use within the applicable review period. Manufacture and processing for the significant new use would be unable to commence until EPA has conducted a review of the notice, made an appropriate determination on the notice, and taken such actions as are required in association with that determination. As part of the rulemaking EPA will take comment on this proposed action.

No Workgroup Specified

OLEM

RSC Representative: Gerain Cogliano OLEM/OAA (202-566-1929)

RSC Alternate: William Noggle OLEM/OPM (202-566-1306)

OLEM - SAN 6665: (Tier '3') RQ Adjustments for Ammonia and Hydrogen Sulfide from Animal Waste at Farms

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External Abstract: Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), persons in charge of vessels or facilities must immediately report to the National Response Center releases of hazardous substances within a 24-hour period that meet or exceed the reportable quantities (RQs). The Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA) requires owners or operators of certain facilities to immediately notify State and local authorities when there is a release of an extremely hazardous substance or CERCLA hazardous substance in an amount equal to or greater than the RQ for that substance. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is considering revising the RQs under CERCLA for air releases of ammonia and hydrogen sulfide from animal waste at farms and addressing the definitions of animal waste and farms, as well as similar revisions under EPCRA.

No Workgroup Specified

OW

RSC Representative: Sandy Evalenko OW/OAA (202-564-0264)

RSC Alternate: Stephanie Flaharty OW/OGWDW (202-564-5072)

RSC Alternate: Iqra Nasir OW/OAA (202-250-0000)

OW - SAN 6653: (Tier '3') CWA Methods Update Rule

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External Abstract: This regulatory action would amend "Guidelines Establishing Test Procedures for the Analysis of Pollutants" at 40 CFR Part 136 to approve test procedures (analytical methods) for use by testing laboratories for water monitoring. These test procedures are used to implement the NPDES program unless an alternate procedure is approved by a Regional Administrator. The regulation would also revise, clarify, and correct errors and ambiguities in existing methods and the water monitoring regulations.

No Workgroup Specified

OW - SAN 6682: (Tier '2') CWA 404 Assumable Waters Regulation
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External Abstract: CWA Section 404(g) addresses requirements for implementation and EPA oversight of state and tribal assumption of the CWA Section 404 program, and allows for states and tribes to administer the dredge and fill permit program for certain waters. EPA will clarify which waters the state/tribe has CWA Section 404 permit responsibilities, and for which waters the USACE retains CWA 404 permit responsibility, under an approved state/tribal program. Specifically, this effort will address the states' request to provide clarity on this issue enabling them to assess and determine the scope of an approved program.

No Workgroup Specified

OW - SAN 6694: (Tier '2') Updates to Wet Weather Treatment Regulations for POTW Treatment Plants
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External Abstract: Wet weather events (e.g., rain, snowmelt) can impact the publicly owned treatment works (POTWs) operations when excess water enters the wastewater collection system through leaking or damaged pipes. The increased wet weather flows in the collection system can exceed the POTW treatment plant's capacity to provide adequate treatment for all of the incoming wastewater. The treatment plant's secondary treatment units are the most susceptible to impacts from wet weather because the biological systems can be damaged when too much water flows through them. POTWs employ a variety of operational practices to ensure the integrity of their secondary treatment units during wet weather and this update to the regulations will clarify permissible POTW treatment plant options under wet weather operational conditions. These updates will also ensure a consistent national approach for permitting POTWs that provides for efficient treatment plant operation while protecting the public from the potential health impacts of inadequately treated sewage.

No Workgroup Specified

New Tier Changes:

OAR

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RSC Alternate: Tom Eagles OAR/OAA (202-564-1952)

RSC Alternate: Wendy Mcquilkin OAR/OAA (202-564-1348)

RSC Alternate: Ruthw Morgan OAR/OAA (202-564-1326)

OAR - SAN 5747: (Tier 1) SO₂ Review of Primary NAAQS
Down Tier 1 to Tier 2

We are currently in the process of writing the notice of proposed rulemaking. In the drafting of the notice, we are describing the preliminary proposed decision to retain, without revision, the current primary (health-based) National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for SO₂. The notice will

summarize the considerations supporting that preliminary proposed decision, including consideration of the available scientific evidence assessed in the Integrated Science Assessment, the analyses presented in the Risk and Exposure Assessment and conclusions presented in the Policy Assessment, and advice from the Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC). The notice will observe that, while there is some new health evidence available in this review, that newly available evidence and information reaffirms conclusions drawn in the last review and does not call into question the adequacy of the public health protection provided by the current SO₂ standard. The preliminary proposed decision to retain the current primary SO₂ standard is consistent with the advice provided by the CASAC. In addition, no new issues were raised in the very few public comments that have focused on the health protection provided by the current standards. Thus, the decision to retain the current primary SO₂ standard will not result in additional requirements that will impose additional costs. While we have determined that this action will require cross agency participation, the primary decision authority will be with the OAR Assistant Administrator. The Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards is requesting that this action be down tiered from a Tier I to a Tier II action.

Requested by: Wanda Farrar - OAR/OAA/OPAR

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Current Workgroup Members:

Workgroup Chair: Nicole Hagan/RTP/USEPA/US -

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Workgroup Chair Alternate: Karen Wesson/RTP/USEPA/US -

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OGC Primary: Melina Williams/DC/USEPA/US - OGC/ARLO (202-564-3406)

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ORD Primary: Leila Lackey/DC/USEPA/US - ORD/OAA (202-564-5957)

ORD Secondary: Tom Long/RTP/USEPA/US - ORD/NCEA/NCEA-RTP (919-541-1880)

ORD Support: Steven Dutton/RTP/USEPA/US - ORD/NCEA (919-541-5035)

Region03 Primary: Irene Shandruk/R3/USEPA/US - Region03/APD (215-814-2166)

OW

RSC Representative: Sandy Evalenko OW/OAA (202-564-0264)

RSC Alternate: Stephanie Flaharty OW/OGWDW (202-564-5072)

RSC Alternate: Iqra Nasir OW/OAA (202-250-0000)

OW - SAN 5772: (Tier 2) Uniform National Discharge Standards for Vessels of the Armed Forces - Phase II – Batch Two (UNDS)

Down Tier 2 to Tier 3

We are requesting a down tier from a Tier 2 to a Tier 3 for the Uniform National Discharge Standards for Vessels of the Armed Forces - Phase II – Batch Two (UNDS) Final Rule (SAN: 5772 | RIN: 2040-AF53). The regulation no longer includes ballast water (we will be tiering Phase III for ballast water discharges). In addition, the regulated entity (i.e., DOD) is heavily involved in developing the rule language as this is a joint rulemaking. We received no substantive comments on the proposed rule and the EPA workgroup successfully addressed all “issues” at the staff level. For these reasons, we are requesting a down tier to a Tier 3.

Requested by: Sandy Evalenko - OW/OAA

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The initially proposed Tier level has changed, please review your workgroup assignments.

Current Workgroup Members:

Workgroup Chair: Katherine Weiler/DC/USEPA/US - OW/OWOW/OC PD (202-566-1280)

Workgroup Chair Alternate: Grace Robiou/DC/USEPA/US - OW/OST/SHPD (202 566-2975)

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OGC Secondary: Philip Ross/DC/USEPA/US - OGC/PTSLO (202-564-5637)

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OP Secondary: David Simpson/DC/USEPA/US - OP/NCEE (202-566-2356)

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New Split Requests:

OAR

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RSC Alternate: Tom Eagles OAR/OAA (202-564-1952)

RSC Alternate: Wendy Mcquilkkin OAR/OAA (202-564-1348)

RSC Alternate: Ruthw Morgan OAR/OAA (202-564-1326)

OAR - SAN 5706.5: (Tier '3') Air Quality Designations for the 2012 PM2.5 Standard for Deferred Areas in Florida

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No Workgroup Specified

OAR - SAN 5727.2: (Tier '3') Amendments to Federal Implementation Plan for Managing Air Emissions from True Minor Sources in Indian Country in the Oil and Natural Gas Production and Natural Gas Processing Segments of the Oil and Natural Gas Sector

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No Workgroup Specified

OAR - SAN 5931.4: (Tier '3') Area Designations for the 2010 Primary Sulfur Dioxide National Ambient Air Quality Standard - Round 3 – Supplemental Amendments

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No Workgroup Specified

OLEM

RSC Representative: Gerain Cogliano OLEM/OAA (202-566-1929)

RSC Alternate: William Noggle OLEM/OPM (202-566-1306)

OLEM - SAN 5939.1: (Tier '3') CCR Remand Rule - Phase 2

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Current Workgroup Members:

Workgroup Chair: Mary Jackson/DC/USEPA/US - OLEM/ORCR/MRWMD (703-308-8453)

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OGC Primary: Laurel Celeste/DC/USEPA/US - OGC/PTSLO (202-564-1751)

OLEM Secondary: Richard Mattick/DC/USEPA/US - OLEM/OPM (202-566-1926)

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OLEM Support: Richard Benware/DC/USEPA/US - OLEM/ORCR,PMCAO (703-308-0436)

OLEM Support: Gerain Cogliano/DC/USEPA/US - OLEM/OAA (202-566-1929)

OLEM Support: PatrickM Kelly/DC/USEPA/US - OLEM/ORCR/MRWMD (703-308-7271)

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OP Primary: Sharon Cooperstein/DC/USEPA/US - OP/ORPM/PRAD (202-564-7051)

ORD Primary: Jace Cuje/DC/USEPA/US - ORD/OAA,OSP (202-564-1795)

OW Primary: Philip Berger/DC/USEPA/US - OW/OGWDW/SRMD (202-564-5255)

R02 Primary: Dale Carpenter/R2/USEPA/US - R02 (212-637-4110)

R03 Primary: Mike Giuranna/R3/USEPA/US - R03

R04 Primary: Davy Simonson/R4/USEPA/US - R04

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R08 Primary: Benjamin Bents/R8/USEPA/US - R08 (303-312-6435)

R09 Primary: Steve Wall/R9/USEPA/US - R09

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Region05 Primary: Susan Mooney/R5/USEPA/US - Region05/LCD (312-886-3585)

Region07 Primary: Nicole Moran/R7/USEPA/US - Region07/ARTD (913-551-7641)